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to the draft rules, the remarks of the district boards have not been called for, when they are also very much concerned with the motor vehicles running in their roads?"

The Hon. Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM:—"I thank the hon. Member for the suggestion. The Government will consult the district boards now though it may cause some delay in bringing the rules into force."

Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER:—"May I know, Sir, when the rules are likely to be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*?"

The Hon. Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM:—"It is not possible to reply to that question with any amount of precision."

Emigration

Refusal of passport to Mr. K. Subrahmanyam of Cuddapah.

* 391 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that passport to go to England, and some other countries of Europe has been refused recently to Mr. K. Subrahmanyam of Cuddapah; and

(*b*) if so, what the reasons therefor are?

A.—(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The reasons are of a confidential nature and cannot be disclosed.

Police

Representation of the Vanniakula or Agnikula Kshatriyas in the cadre of Sub-Inspectors of Police.

* 392 *Q.*—Subadar-Major S. A. NANJAPPA Bahadur: Will the Hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total number of vacancies in the cadre of Sub-Inspectors of Police for which selection has been made by the Public Services Commission recently;

(*b*) the number of applications received by the Commission from the candidates for the above vacancies according to the communities to which the applicants belong; and

(*c*) whether any candidate has been selected from the Vanniakula or Agnikula Kshatriya community?

A.—(*a*) Fifty-two.

(*b*) The total number of applicants was 808. The following statement shows the communities to which they belonged:—

Non-Brahman (Hindus)	423
Muhammadans	76
Anglo-Indians, Christians and Non-Asiatics	78
Brahmans	223
Scheduled Classes	8

(*c*) No.

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Subadar-Major S. A. NANJAPPA Bahadur:—" May I ask the Hon. Member why none from the Vanniyakula Kshatriya community has been selected for the Sub-Inspector's post in this presidency?"

The Hon. Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM:—" Obviously the Commission did not find any suitable candidates from that community."

Subadar-Major S. A. NANJAPPA Bahadur:—" May I know how many from that community applied for the post?"

The Hon. Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM:—" The Government have no information, Sir."

Mr. M. DEVADASAN:—" May I ask, Sir, if Kshatriyas do not come next to Brahmans in point of social status?"

The Hon. Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM:—" I am afraid I am not an expert in communal gradations and divisions, Sir."

Subadar-Major S. A. NANJAPPA Bahadur:—" May I ask if the Government are aware of the strength of the community in the whole presidency, Sir?"

The Hon. Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM:—" The Government are aware of it from what is contained in the Census Report, Sir."

Subadar-Major S. A. NANJAPPA Bahadur:—" Will the Government sympathetically look into the matter in future at least?"

The Hon. Rao Bahadur A. T. PANNIRSELVAM:—" The Government cannot promise to consider the claims of the various sub-communities among the Non-Brahman Hindus."

Subadar-Major S. A. NANJAPPA Bahadur:—" Will the Government at least understand the strength of that community and paucity of its representation?"

Punitive police at Attayampatti, Salem district.

* 393 *Q.*—Mr. K. A. NACHIYAPPA GOUNDER: Will the Hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) what the latest report received with regard to the punitive police at Attayampatti in Salem district is and whether a copy of it will be placed on the table;

(*b*) whether it is a fact that the villagers are willing to compose their differences and made representations to the District Magistrate to that effect and prayed for the removal of the punitive police from their midst;

(*c*) at what stage the consideration of their prayers is and when the punitive police is likely to be removed;

(*d*) when the force was originally introduced and what the amount collected from the people each year towards the maintenance of the same is;

(*e*) how the total cost is apportioned among the people, and at what rate the collections are made from them;